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SUBJ: VIETNAMESE REFUGEES: AID PARTICIPANTS IN THAILAND

REF: A. BANGKOK 7797 B. STATE 097854

SUMMARY: REQUEST GUIDANCE CONCERNING FUTURE STATUS OF 36 VIETNAMESE AID PARTICIPANTS STUDYING IN THAILAND. END SUMMARY.

1. THIRTY-SIX (36) VIETNAMESE PARTICIPATNS ARE STUDYING IN THAILAND UNDER AID AUSPICES. TEN (10) ARE THIRD-YEAR VETERIANRY MEDICINE STUDENTS ENROLLED IN SPECIAL DVM PROGRAM IN ENGLISH AT CHULALONGKORN UNIVERSITY WITH COMPLETION DATE 7/76; 21 ARE SECOND-YEAR STUDENTS IN THE SAME PROGRAM WITH COMPLETION DATE 7/77; THREE ARE ATTENDING AN OJT PROGRAM AT THE ROCKEFELLER CORN AND SORGHUM CENTER RUNNING THRU 6/75; AND TWO ARE MDS ON A ONE-YEAR AID/AMA CONTRACT PROGRAM IN PHARMOCOLOGY AT MAHIDOL UNIVERSITY RUNNING THRU 9/75.

2. GROUP LEADERS ON APRIL 30 INDICATED THAT NONE OF PARTICIPANTS ARE INTERESTED IN RETURNING TO VIETNAM UNDER PRESENT CIRCUMSTANCES. SEVERAL ASKED ABOUT POSSIBILITY OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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CONTINUING THEIR TRAINING IN THAILAND, OR OBTAINING AID

ASSISTANCE TO TRAVEL TO THE US AND FOR CONTINUATION STUDIES. ONE PARTICIPANT HAS HIS WIFE AND ONE DAUGHTER IN BANGKOK.

- 3. ALTHOUGH THE RTG HAS NOT YET ASKED THAT THE PARTICIPANTS LEAVE THAILAND, WE BELIEVE RTG WILL NOT PERMIT THEM TO REMAIN REGARDLESS OF SPONSORSHIP. EARLY GUIDANCE IS NEEDED SO THAT WE CAN MOVE IN LINE WITH RTG POLICY.
- 4. LIST OF PARTICIPANTS, INFORMATION ON THEIR PROGRAMS AND FUNDS AVAILABLE BEING KEPT IN USOM/THAILAND. APPROXIMATELY \$84,000 IS UNEXPENDED FROM THREE PIO/PS. USOM HAS NO RECORD OF AMOUNT AVAILABLE FOR TWO AMA PARTICIPANTS FUNDED ON CONTRACT NO. AID/VN-76.

5. PLEASE ADVISE. MASTERS

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